

Remarks/Arguments

The new set of drawings are those described in detail in the application. Note that the four embodiments respectively disclosed in FIGS. 1, 2, 3, and 4 are respectively described in general in paragraphs [0006], [0007], [0008], and [0009]. Further, it can be seen that the illustrated structure conforms exactly to that described in the Description of the Preferred Embodiment. Thus, it is to be noted that, like in original drawing FIGS. 1 and 2, there is a knotter drive shaft 12 and a bearing 14 located in a wall 16 (bearing and wall not numbered in the original drawings). Also described are knotter drive gears 22 or 22', which, in general, correspond to knotter drive gears 12 or 12', 14 or 14' and 16 or 16' of the original drawings, with the further drive gear 22" being different because of the usage of threads 46 on the hub section 26", as described.

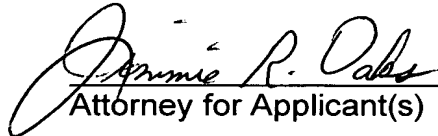
Structure not shown in the original drawings, but clearly described, are the knotter frames 24, which include split sleeves 32 or 32' received about left-hand hub sections 28 or 28' of the gear hubs. Also not shown in the original drawings are the spacers 42, which are each described as being located on the shaft 12 between adjacent knotter assemblies 18 and 20, and as having a counterbore 44 having diameter larger than an outside diameter of the right hand hub section 26 or 26' of the drive gear hub. Further structure not shown are the internally threaded versions 48 of the spacers, which engage the threads provided on the right-hand, threaded end of the hub of the gear 22".

It is respectfully submitted, that for the reasons stated above, the substitute drawings are clearly described in the specification and do not include any new matter.

In conclusion, it is believed that the substitute drawings may be properly approved for inclusion in this application and such approval is requested.

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